

PATENT Customer No. 22,852 Attorney Docket No. 02229.0017

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:				
Francisco PARRA	Group Art Unit: 3721			
Application No.: 10/006,695) Examiner: Sameh Tawfik			
Filed: March 18, 2002				
For: PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF AN EASY OPEN DEVICE FOR "FLOW PACK" OR SIMILAR PACKAGES WITH LONGITUDINAL SEAMS (As Amended)	RECEIVED MAR 2 6 2004			
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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

In reply to the Office Action mailed November 21, 2003, the period for response having been extended to March 22, 2004 (March 21, 2004 being a Sunday) by a request for extension of one month and fee payment filed concurrently herewith, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification are included in this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks follow the amendment sections of this paper.

An Abstract is included as an attachment to this amendment.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Enclosed is a reply to the Office Action of November 21, 2003. The item(s) checked below are appropriate:

Applicant hereby petitions for a one-month extension of time to respond to the above Office Action. The fee of \$110.00 for the Extension is enclosed.

The claims are calculated below:

	Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest Number Previously Paid	Present Extra	Rate		tional ee
Total	13	-	20	0	x \$ 18	\$	0
Indep.	1	-	3	0	x \$ 86		0
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	A fee of \$[Fee] to cover the cost of the additional claims added by this reply is enclosed.
	A fee of \$[Fee] to cover [Title of other paper(s)] is enclosed. A check for \$110.00 to cover the above fee is enclosed.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account 06-0916.

Dated: March 22, 2004

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